

REMARKS

The claims now pending in the present application are Claims 5 and 6. Claim 5 is the only independent claim. Claims 1 to 4 and 7 previously were cancelled. Claim 5 has been amended herein.

On August 28, 2003, Applicant filed a Continuation Application Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) together with a Preliminary Amendment.

Independent Claim 5 has been amended herein to recite more clearly various novel features of the present invention, and to provide Applicant with an additional scope of protection commensurate with the disclosure. No new matter has been added.

Favorable consideration and early passage to issue of the above-identified application respectfully are requested.

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